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1. CONCEPT OF OJT NAVAL TRAINING FOR SAUDI NAVAL PERSONNEL WITH SHIPS COMIDEASTFOR STRIKES US AS ONE THAT COULD BE APPLIY IN UAE AS WELL. IT IS TRUE THAT ONLY NAVAL FORCE HERE (SEA WING OF ABU DHABI DEFENSE FORCE) IS HARDLY OF MAJOR MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE, AND NUMBER OF INDIGENOUS OFFICERS AND MEN IN THAT FORCE STRICTLY LIMITED. BUT WE BELIEVE OFFERING EVEN A FEW OF LOCAL SEA WING PERSONNEL CHANCE PARTICIPATE IN OPERATIONAL CRUISE OF COMIDEASTFOR SHIP WOULD BE WELL RECEIVED GESTURE. IT WOULD MOREOVER BE AT LEAST BEGINNING TO KIND OF LOW-KESLN EXCHANGE-TYPE RELATIONSHIP WE WOULD LIKE INSTITUTE WITH LOCAL MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER DETAILS RE THIS PROGRAM AND SPECIFICALLY ADVICE ON WHETHER IT MIGHT BE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE UAE. WITH COSTS OF PROVIDING SUCH OJT PRWUUMABLY BEING MINIMAL, WE ASSUME NO CHARGES TO HOST GOVERNMENT INVOLVED AND THUS THAT CONTINUING ABSENCE OF FMS AGREEMENT HOPEFULLY NOT BARRIER TO INSTITUTING SUCH ON-JOB TRAINING PRIOR
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